

OPTIMAL>60, Improvement of Therapy of Elderly Patients With CD20+ DLBCL Using Rituximab Optimized and Liposomal Vincristine

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Purpose

The purpose of this study is to improve the outcome of elderly patients with CD20+ Aggressive B-Cell Lymphoma and to reduce the toxicity of standard used Immuno-Chemotherapy by using an optimised schedule of the monoclonal antibody Rituximab, substituting conventional by Liposomal Vincristine and by a PET-guided reduction of therapy.

<u>Condition</u>	<u>Intervention</u>	<u>Phase</u>
CD20+ Aggressive B-Cell Lymphoma	Drug: Conventional Vincristine Drug: Liposomal Vincristine Drug: RICOVER-scheme rituximab Drug: optimised rituximab-schedule	Phase 3

Study Type: **Interventional**

Study Design: **Allocation: Randomized**

Endpoint Classification: Efficacy Study

Intervention Model: Factorial Assignment

Masking: Open Label

Primary Purpose: Treatment

Official Title: **Improvement of Outcome and Reduction of Toxicity in Elderly Patients With CD20+ Aggressive B-Cell Lymphoma by an Optimised Schedule of the Monoclonal Antibody Rituximab, Substitution of Conventional by Liposomal Vincristine, and FDG-PET Based Reduction of Therapy.**

Resource links provided by NLM:

[MedlinePlus](#) related topics: [Lymphoma](#)

[Drug Information](#) available for: [Vincristine sulfate](#) [Rituximab](#)

[Genetic and Rare Diseases Information Center](#) resources: [B-cell Lymphomas](#) [Lymphosarcoma](#)

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Further study details as provided by University Hospital, Saarland:

Primary Outcome Measures:

- Progression-free survival [Time Frame: 9 years] [Designated as safety issue: No]

"OPTIMAL>60 Less Favourable": To test the effects of substitution of conventional by liposomal vincristine and of a 2-week applications of 8x rituximab by an optimised application of 12 x rituximab stratified log rank tests will be performed for each question (stratified for IPI-factors). Proportional hazard models will be used to investigate treatment interaction and to obtain estimates for the single treatment effects (HR) adjusting for the IPI-factors. "OPTIMAL>60 Favourable" Grade of neurotoxicity will be estimated and indicated with a 95% confidence interval (CI) separated to each type of vincristine. To investigate the 3-year PFS with 95% CI the Kaplan-Meier estimator will be used.

Secondary Outcome Measures:

- for efficacy: rate of complete remissions (CR-rate), rate of partial responses (PR-rate), rate of primary progressions, relapse rate, event-free survival (EFS) and overall survival (OS); rate and CTC grades of polyneuropathy. [Time Frame: 9 years] [Designated as safety issue: No]

Secondary endpoints: To analyze how (i. e. in which direction) and how often a pre-treatment FDG-PET-based assignment (PET-0) would have affected the assignment of a patient to a different stage, IPI risk group or treatment, respectively. To compare the efficacy and side effects of the (post-induction therapy FDG-PET-based) individualised treatment strategy in OPTIMAL>60 with the fixed (pre-defined) treatment strategy in RICOVER-60. Rates and grades of polyneuropathy will be determined according to CTC-v4.03

Estimated Enrollment: 1152
 Study Start Date: November 2011
 Estimated Study Completion Date: October 2019
 Estimated Primary Completion Date: October 2016 (Final data collection date for primary outcome measure)

Arms	Assigned Interventions
Active Comparator: Favourable Prognosis F-A Induction therapy with 4 cycles of R-CHOP-14 (Rituximab 375 mg/sqm, Cyclophosphamide 750 mg/sqm, Doxorubicin 50 mg/sqm, conventional Vincristine 1,4 mg/sqm [max. 2mg absolute], Prednisolone 100mg/d d1-5) and then definitive (post-induction) restaging with FDG-PET. If FDG-PET positive 2 additional cycles of R-CHOP-14 + 2xR plus additional involved-site radiotherapy, if FDG-PET negative only 4xR without radiotherapy.	Drug: Conventional Vincristine
Experimental: Favourable F-B Induction therapy with 4 cycles of R-CHLIP-14 (Rituximab 375 mg/sqm, Cyclophosphamide 750 mg/sqm, Doxorubicin 50 mg/sqm, liposomal Vincristine 2 mg/sqm, Prednisolone 100mg/d d1-5) and then definitive (post-induction) restaging with FDG-PET. If FDG-PET positive 2 additional cycles of R-CHLIP-14 + 2xR plus additional involved-site radiotherapy, if FDG-PET negative only 4xR without radiotherapy.	Drug: Liposomal Vincristine
Active Comparator: Less Favourable LF-A Induction therapy with 6 cycles of R-CHOP-14 (Rituximab 375 mg/sqm, Cyclophosphamide 750 mg/sqm, Doxorubicin 50 mg/sqm, conventional Vincristine 1,4 mg/sqm [max. 2mg absolute], Prednisolone 100mg/d d1-5) and then definitive (post-induction) restaging with FDG-PET. If FDG-PET positive 2xR plus additional radiotherapy to the initial bulky region, if FDG-PET negative only 2xR without radiotherapy. After 3xR-CHOP-14 an interim restaging will be performed.	Drug: Conventional Vincristine Drug: RICOVER-scheme rituximab
Experimental: Less Favourable LF-B Induction therapy with 6 cycles of R-CHLIP-14 (Rituximab 375 mg/sqm, Cyclophosphamide 750 mg/sqm, Doxorubicin 50 mg/sqm, liposomal Vincristine 2 mg/sqm, Prednisolone 100mg/d d1-5) and then definitive (post-induction) restaging with FDG-PET. If FDG-PET positive 2xR plus additional radiotherapy to the initial bulky region, if FDG-PET negative only 2xR without radiotherapy. After 3xR-CHLIP-14 an interim restaging will be performed.	Drug: Liposomal Vincristine Drug: RICOVER-scheme rituximab
Experimental: Less Favourable LF-C Induction therapy with 6 cycles of CHOP-14 (Cyclophosphamide 750 mg/sqm, Doxorubicin 50 mg/sqm, conventional Vincristine 1,4 mg/sqm [max. 2mg absolute], Prednisolone 100mg/d d1-5) combined with an optimized Rituximab-schedule (375 mg/sqm, d-4, d-1, d1, d4, d14, d28, d42, d56, d91, d126, d175, d238) and then definitive (post-induction) restaging with FDG-PET. If FDG-PET positive additional radiotherapy to the initial bulky region, if FDG-PET negative omission of radiotherapy. After 3x CHOP-14 an interim restaging will be performed.	Drug: Conventional Vincristine Drug: optimised rituximab-schedule
Experimental: Less Favourable LF-D Induction therapy with 6 cycles of CHLIP-14 (Cyclophosphamide 750 mg/sqm, Doxorubicin 50 mg/sqm, liposomal Vincristine 2 mg/sqm, Prednisolone 100mg/d d1-5) combined with an optimized Rituximab-schedule (375 mg/sqm, d-4, d-1, d1, d4, d14, d28, d42, d56, d91, d126, d175, d238) and then definitive (post-induction) restaging with FDG-PET. If FDG-PET positive additional radiotherapy to the initial bulky region, if FDG-PET negative	Drug: Liposomal Vincristine Drug: optimised rituximab-schedule

omission of radiotherapy. After 3x CHLIP-14 an interim restaging will be performed.

Detailed Description:

Primary objective of study:

"OPTIMAL>60 Less Favourable" Patients with less favourable prognosis:

1. To test whether progression-free survival (PFS) can be improved by substituting conventional by liposomal vincristine;
2. To test whether PFS can be improved by 12 optimised applications instead of 8 2-week applications of rituximab. "OPTIMAL>60 Favourable": Patients with favourable prognosis:
3. Comparison of neurotoxicity of conventional and liposomal vincristine;
4. Determination of PFS for the treatment strategy of reducing treatment in patients with negative FDG-PET after 4 x R-CHOP/CHLIP-14 (PET-4) and comparison with the corresponding patient population in RICOVER-60. Secondary objectives: "OPTIMAL>60 Favourable" and "OPTIMAL>60 Less Favourable":
5. Comparison of the prognostic value of a pre-treatment FDG-PET (PET-0) with conventional CT/MRT.
6. Comparison of the FDG-PET-based individualised treatment strategy in OPTIMAL>60 with the fixed (pre-defined) treatment strategy in RICOVER>60.
7. Estimation of the vincristine-related neurotoxicity ("OPTIMAL>60 Less Favourable" only, since vincristine related neurotoxicity is primary objective of the study in favourable patients) and other toxicities (all patients).
8. Determination of the therapeutic efficacy of a Vitamin D substitution by comparing the first patients without Vitamin D substitution with patients with Vitamin D substitution.

▶ Eligibility

Ages Eligible for Study: 61 Years to 80 Years
Genders Eligible for Study: Both
Accepts Healthy Volunteers: No

Criteria

Inclusion Criteria:

1. Age: 61-80 years
2. All risk groups (IPI 1-5)
3. Diagnosis of aggressive CD20+ B-NHL, based on an excisional biopsy of a lymph node or on an appropriate sample of a lymph node or of an extranodal involvement. It will be possible to treat the following entities in this study as defined by the new WHO classification of 200870: B-NHL:
 - Follicular lymphoma grade IIIb
 - DLBCL, not otherwise specified (NOS)
 - common morphologic variants:
 - centroblastic
 - immunoblastic
 - anaplastic
 - rare morphologic variants
 - DLBCL subtypes/entities:
 - T-cell/histiocyte-rich large B-cell lymphoma
 - primary cutaneous DLBCL, leg type
 - EBV-positive DLBCL of the elderly
 - DLBCL associated with chronic inflammation
 - primary mediastinal (thymic) LBCL
 - intravascular large B-cell-lymphoma
 - ALK-positive large B-cell-lymphoma
 - plasmoblastic lymphoma
 - primary effusion lymphoma
 - secondary or simultaneous high grade B-cell-lymphoma
 - B-cell lymphoma, unclassifiable, with features intermediate between DLBCL and Burkitt lymphoma
 - B-cell lymphoma, unclassifiable, with features intermediate between DLBCL and Hodgkin lymphoma
4. Performance status ECOG 0 - 2 after prephase treatment. The performance status of each patient must be assessed before the initiation and after the end of prephase treatment which, as experience has shown, can result in a significant improvement of the

patient's performance status. The pre-treatment performance status which can range from ECOG 0 to ECOG 4 must be documented in the Staging CRF (see ISF); the performance status after the prephase treatment must be documented in the respective Prephase Treatment CRF (PT form: see ISF). A definition of the performance status is provided in Appendix 28.10.

5. Written informed consent of the patient
6. Contract of participation signed by the study centre and sponsor

Exclusion Criteria:

1. Already initiated lymphoma therapy (except for the prephase treatment)
2. Serious accompanying disorder or impaired organ function (except when due to lymphoma involvement), in particular:
 - heart: angina pectoris CCS >2, cardiac failure e.g. NYHA >2 and/or EF <50% or FS<25% in nuclear medicine examination/echocardiography
 - lungs: if respiratory problems are suspected the patient is to be excluded if the resultant pulmonary function test shows FeV1<50% or a diffusion capacity <50% of the reference values
 - kidneys: creatinine >2 times the upper reference limit
 - liver: bilirubin >2 times the upper reference limit, aspartate transaminase (AST, SGOT) or alanine transaminase (ALT, SGPT) >3 x institutional upper reference limit
 - uncontrollable diabetes mellitus (prephase treatment with prednisolone!)
3. Platelets <75 000/mm³, leukocytes <2 500/mm³ (if not due to lymphoma)
4. Known hypersensitivity to the medications to be used
5. Known HIV-positivity
6. Patients with severe impairment of immune defense
7. Patients with constipation with imminent risk of ileus
8. Chronic active hepatitis
9. Poor patient compliance
10. Simultaneous participation in other treatment studies or in another clinical trial within the last 6 months
11. Prior chemo- or radiotherapy, long-term use of corticosteroids or anti-neoplastic drugs for previous disorder
12. Other concomitant tumour disease and/or tumour disease in the past 5 years (except basalioma of the skin and carcinoma in situ)
13. CNS involvement of lymphoma (intracerebral, meningeal, intraspinal intradural) or primary CNS lymphoma
14. Persistent neuropathy grade ≥2 (NCI CTC-AE v4.03) (unless due to lymphoma involvement)
15. History of persistent active neurologic disorders grade >2 including demyelinating form of Charcot-Marie-Tooth syndrome, acquired demyelinating disorders, or other demyelinating condition
16. Pregnancy or breast-feeding women
17. Active serious infections not controlled by oral and/or intravenous antibiotics or anti-fungal medication
18. Any medical condition which in the opinion of the investigator places the subject at an unacceptably high risk for toxicities.
19. MALT lymphoma
20. Non-conformity to eligibility criteria
21. Persons not able to understand the impact, nature, risks and consequences of the trial (including language barrier)
22. Persons not agreeing to the transmission of their pseudonymous data
23. Persons depending on sponsor or investigator
24. Persons from highly protected groups. Pts. with CNS lymphoma should not be included in this study.

Contacts and Locations

Choosing to participate in a study is an important personal decision. Talk with your doctor and family members or friends about deciding to join a study. To learn more about this study, you or your doctor may contact the study research staff using the Contacts provided below. For general information, see [Learn About Clinical Studies](#).

Please refer to this study by its ClinicalTrials.gov identifier: NCT01478542

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Keyw ords provided by University Hospital, Saarland:

DLBCL	FDG-PET
Liposomal Vincristine (Marqibo)	Bulky Disease
Optimised Rituximab	Radiation
Toxicity	age >60 years
Elderly Patients	First line Therapy

Additional relevant MeSH terms:

Aggression	Vincristine
Lymphoma, B-Cell	Antimitotic Agents
Behavioral Symptoms	Antineoplastic Agents
Immune System Diseases	Antineoplastic Agents, Phytogenic
Immunoproliferative Disorders	Antirheumatic Agents
Lymphatic Diseases	Immunologic Factors
Lymphoma	Mitosis Modulators
Lymphoma, Non-Hodgkin	Molecular Mechanisms of Pharmacological Action
Lymphoproliferative Disorders	Pharmacologic Actions
Neoplasms	Physiological Effects of Drugs
Neoplasms by Histologic Type	Therapeutic Uses
Rituximab	Tubulin Modulators

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